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Sandy Nell
13171 South 3300 West
Riverton, Utah 84065

Re: Acceptance of Amended Notice of Intention, Sandy Wash / Blawn
Mountain Project, S/001/063, Beaver County, Utah

Dear Mr. Nell:

On January 7, 2004, we received a copy of a BLM letter addressed to you regarding an amendment you sent to that office, which they received on December 24, 2003. The BLM referenced this amendment as Blawn Mountain. The Division shows as this project name as Sandywash. We have now added the name Blawn Mountain behind the name Sandywash.

This project is located on BLM managed lands, and the BLM has accepted the amendment to add 1/4 acre to your project for a stockpiling / transfer point, which will allow haulage from the site this winter. The Division will accept the BLM's recommendation and also accept this amendment as proposed.

Please be advised that any amendment made to your notice must also be received and accepted by this office as well as the land managing agency. Sending your proposal to us at the same time as you send it to the BLM, will help expedite the review of your proposal.

The BLM has informed us that they have reviewed and cleared the area for any cultural resources. Therefore, we did not send this proposal to the office of State History. When we send a notification to State History, we are required to allow them a 10-day turn around before we can review the proposal. **Please be advised that if you encounter any archaeological or historical concerns, you are to immediately cease operations and notify this office, the BLM and State History of your find.**

As you are probably aware, during the 2003 Legislative Session, the Legislature revised the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act. Surety is now

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required to be posted for all mining operations. The BLM office has notified us that you have posted a bond in the amount of \$4,000 for the anticipated disturbances associated with the Sandywash / Blawn Mountain Project. Because the Division and BLM have an agreement concerning the bonding of small mine notices, we will accept the bond amount the BLM has calculated at this time. The BLM informed you that the \$4,000 may not be adequate and if reclamation of the stockpile / transfer point is not completed by April 30, 2004, you will be issued a noncompliance order.

Thank you for your cooperation in completing the reclamation as agreed. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. In reply, please refer to file number S/001/063.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tom Munson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Tom Munson
Senior Reclamation Hydrologist

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cc: Ed Ginouves, BLM, UTU-80852
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